Nine notable PROPHESIES:

Wonderfully predicted, and now partly come to passe and effected in these present yeares of calamitie, in this Climate.

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Being all full of wonderfull and admirable events: and lately fulfilled, even to this preſent yeare 1644.

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A Prediction of K. RICHARD *the Third*

IN the Reigne of King *Richard* the Third, his Majesty w
his Army lay at Leicester the night before the battell
Bosworth Field was fought. It happened in the morni
as the King rode through the South-gate a poore old bli
man (by profession a Wheel-wright) sat begging, and he
ring of his approach, said, that if the Moon changed twice that day,
ving by her ordinary course changed in the morning, King *Richard* shou
lose his Crowne, and be slaine; and riding over the bridge his left fo
struck against a stump of wood, which the old man hearing, said, E
so shall his head at his returne backe hit on the same place, which so ca
to passe: And a Nobleman that carried the Moone for his Colours,
volted from King *Richard*, whereby he lost that day his Life, Crown
Kingdome; which verified the presages of that poor old blinde man.

The Propheſie of *Shiptons* VVife in the time of Kin; *HENRIE* the Eight.

Note, that this Propheſie was never exactly printed before.

VVHen she heard that King *Henry* the Eight should be King, and C
dinall *Wolsey* should be at Yorke, she said that Cardinall *W*
should never come to Yorke, which the King and the Cardinall hear
being angry, sent the Duke of Suffolke and the Lord *Darcy* to her,
came with their men disguised to the Kings house neare Yorke, w
leaving their men they went to Mr. *Besly* to Yorke, and desired him t
with them to Mother *Shiptons* house, where when they came they k
ked at the doore, she said come in Mr. *Besly*, and those honourable
with you, and Mr. *Besly* would have put in the Lords before him,
she said come in Mr. *Besly*, you know the way, but they doe not.
they thought strange that she should know them and never saw them
they went into the house, where there was a great fire, and she bad
welcome, calling them all by their names, and sent for some Cake
Ale, and they dranke and were very merry. Mother *Shipton*, sa
Duke, if you knew what we came about, you would not bid us so
come: she said the messenger should not be hang'd: Mother *Ship*
the Duke, you said the Cardinall should never see Yorke; yea said
said he might see Yorke, but never come at it. But said the Duke,
he comes to Yorke thou shalt be burned: we shall see that, said she

cking her hankercheffe off her head ſhe threw it into the fire, and it uld not burne: then ſhe tooke her ſtaffe and turned it into the fire, and would not burne: then ſhe tooke it and put it on againe. Then ſaid the ke, what meane you by this; ſhe replied, if this had burned, I might ve burned.

Mother *Shipton* (quoth the Duke) what think you of me? My Lord, ſaid (a) the time will come (a) you will be as low as I am, and that is a low e indeed.

(a) The Duke was afterward beheaded.

My Lord *Piercy* ſaid, and what ſay you of me? My Lord, ſaid ſhee, oos your horſe in the quick, and you will doe well, but your (b) body ll be buried in Yorke pavement, and your head ſhall be ſtolne from Barre and carried into France: At which they all laughed, ſaying, t would be a great lop between the head and the body. Then ſaid the rd *Darcy*, and what thinke you of me? She ſaid, you have made a at Gun ſhoot it off, for it will never doe you no good; you are going war, you will paine many a man, but kill none: So they went away.

(b) This proved true, for he roſe in rebellion in the North, and by not flying when he might he was taken and beheaded at York, where his body was buried; but his head was ſtolne away and carried into France temp. Eliz. R.

Not long after the Cardinall came to Cawood, and going to the top the Tower, He asked, where ſtands Yorke, and how far it was thither? d ſaid that one ſaid he ſhould never ſee Yorke; nay, ſaid one, ſhe ſaid u might ſee Yorke, but never come at it. He vowed to burne her when came to Yorke. Then they ſhewed him Yorke, and told him it was t 8 miles thence; he ſaid that he would ſoone be there; but being ſent by the King, he died in his way to London, at Leiceſter of a laske. nd *Shiptons* wife ſaid to Mr. *Beaſley*, yonder is a fine ſtall built for the ardinall in the Minſter, of gold, pearle, and pretious ſtones, goe and d preſent one of the pillars to King *Henry*; and he did ſo.

Mr. *Beſley* ſeeing theſe things fall out as ſhe had foretold, deſired her tell him ſome more of her Propheſies. Mr. *Beſly* ſaid ſhe, before that) Ows Bridge and Trinity Church meet, they ſhall build on the day, d it ſhall fall in the night, untill they get the higheſt ſtone of Trinity hurch, to be the loweſt ſtone of Ows Bridge.

(c) This came to paſſe, for Trinity ſteeple in Yorke was blown downe

h a tempeſt, and Owſe bridge was broken downe with a great flood; and what they did in repairing the dge in the day time with the ſtone of the ſteeple, fell downe in the night, untill they (remembring this Propheſie) laid the higheſt ſtone of the ſteeple for the foundation of the bridge, and then the worke ſtood. And by s was partly verified another of Mother Shipptons Propheſies (viz.) That her maid ſhould live to drive her ow over Trinity ſteeple.

Then the day will come when the North ſhall rue it wondrous ſore,
t that South ſhall rue it for evermore; when hares kinnel on cold hearth
) ſtones, and lads ſhall marry Ladies and bring them home, then ſhall
ou have a yeare of pining hunger, and then a dearth without corne, a
ofull day ſhall be ſeen in England, a King and a Queen.

(d) Supposed to be meant by ſuppreſſion of Abbies and other Religi-

us houſes. And at the Lord *William Howards* houſe at Naworth, a Hare came and kinled in his Kitchin upon the hearth.

The first comming of the (e) King of Scots shall be at Holgate Town, but he shall not come through the Bar, and when the King (f) of the North shall be at London, his tayle shall be at Edenborough.

(e) This was fulfilled in K. *Iames* his comming in, for such a multitude of people stood at Holgate bar to behold him, as that to avoid the preasse, he was forced to ride by another way. (f) When King *Iames* was at London, his children were at Edenborough, preparing to come into England.

After this shall water (g) come over Owse bridge, and a windmill shall be set on a tower; and an elm-tree shall lye at every mans doore, at that time women shall weare great hats and great bands.

(g) This is verified by the conducting of water into Yorke streets through boared Elmes: And the Conduit house hath a Windemill on the top that drawes up the water.

And when there is a Lord Major (h) at Yorke, let him beware of a stabbe.

(h) A Lord Major whose house was in the Minster-yard in Yorke, was killed with three stabs.

When two Knights (i) shall fall out in the Castle-yard, they shall never be kindly all their lives after.

(i) Sir Tho. Wentworth & Sir John Savil in choosing Knights for the Shire in the Castle yard in Yorke, did so fall out, that they were never after well reconciled.

When all Colton (k) hag hath borne crops of Corne, seven yeares after you shall heare newes, there shall two Judges (l) goe in and out at Walmgate Bar.

(k) Colton hag in her time was a Wood land ground full of trees, which bore corn seven years, and the seventh year after that was the year of the comming in of the Scots, and their taking of Newcastle. (l) In the yeare 16. two Judges of Assize went out at a gate in Yorke, where never any Judges were knowne to goe out before or since.

Then Wars shall begin in the Spring,
Much woe to England *it shall bring:*
Then shall the Ladies cry well away,
This ever we liv'd to see this day.

Then best for them that have the least, and worst for them that have the most: you shall not know of the warre over night, yet you shall have it in the morning: and when it comes, it shall last three yeares: between Cadron and Aire shall be great warfare, when all the world is as lost, it shall be called Chrifts Croft. When the battell begins, it shall be when (m) Crook-back *Richard* made his fray.

(m) Neer Leicester, where *Richard* the third was slaine in battell, the Colonell *Hastings* was one of the first in armes, endeavouring to set the Commission of Array, in opposition to others that were then setling the Militia.

They shall say, to warfare for your King for halfe a crowne a day, but stir not, (they will say) to warfare for your King on paine of hanging, but stirre not, for he that goes to complaine, shall not come backe againe.

The

e time will come when England ſhall tremble and quake for feare of
ead man that ſhall be heard to ſpeake: then will the Dragon give the
ll a great ſnap, and when the one is downe they will goe to London
owne: Then there will be a great baattell betweene England and Scot-
d, and they will be pacified for a time, and when they come to Bram-
more they fight and are againe pacified for a time, then there will be a
eat bartell between England and Scotland at Stockmore: Then will
ens ſit on the (n) croſſe and drinke as much blood of Nobles as of the
ommons, then woe is me, for London ſhall bee deſtroyed for ever
er.

(n) It is to be noted and admired, that this Croſſe in the North in

ber *Shiptons* dayes was a tall ſtone Croſſe, which ever ſince hath been by degrees ſinking into the ground, and
is ſunke ſo low, that a Raven may ſit upon the top of it, and reach her bill to the ground.

There will come a woman with one eye, and ſhe ſhall tread in many
ens blood to the kneeand a man leaning on a ſtaffe by her, ſhe ſhall ſay
him, what art thou? and he ſhall ſay, I am the King of Scots, and ſhee
ll ſay, goe with me to my houſe, forthere are three Knights, and hee
ll goe with her, and ſtay there three dayes and three nights, then will
gland be loſt, and they will cry twice a day England is loſt. Then
re will be three Knights in Peter-gate in Yorke, and the one ſhall not
ow of the other; there ſhall be a childe borne in Pomfret with three
umbs, and thoſe three Knights will give him three horſes (o) to hold
ile they winne England, and all Noble blood ſhall be gone but one;
d they ſhall carry him to Sheriffe *Huttons* Caſtle ſix miles from Yorke,
d he ſhall dye there, and they ſhall chuſe there an Earle in the Field,
d hanging their horſes on a thorne, and rue the time that ever they
re borne to ſee ſo much blood ſhed. Then they will come to York
beſiege it, and they ſhall keep them out three dayes and three nights,
d a penny loafe ſhall be within the Bar at halfe a crowne, and without
e Bar at a penny; and they will ſweare if they will not yeeld, to blow
the Towne walls: Then they will let them in, and they will hang up
e Major, Sheriffes and Aldermen, and they will goe into Crouch
urch, there will three Knights goe in, and but one come out againe,
d he will cauſe Proclamation to be made, that any man may take houſe,
wer, or bower for 21 yeares, and whileſt the world endureth, there
ll never be warfare againe, nor any more Kings or Queenes, but the
ngdome ſhall be governed by three Lords, and then Yorke ſhall bee
ndon. And after this ſhall be a white harveſt of corne gotten in by
men. Then ſhall be in the North, that one woman ſhall ſay unto ano-
r, Mother, I have ſeen a man to day, and for one man there ſhall be a
uſand women: there ſhall be a man ſitting on St. *Iames* Church hill

(o) There is a childe not many yeares ſince born at Pomfret with three thumbs.

weeping his fill: And after that a Ship came ſailing up the Thames till came againſt London, and the Mr. of the Ship ſhall weep, and the Ma riners ſhall aske him why he weepeth, being he hath made ſo good a voy age, and he ſhall ſay; Ah what a goodly City this was, none in the worl comparable to it, and now there is left ſcarce any houſe that can let u have drinke for our money.

Vnhappy be that lives to ſee theſe dayes,
But happy are the dead Shiptons *wife ſaies.*
In the worlds old age this woman did foretell,
Strange things ſhould hap, which in our times have fell.

Mr. *Truſwels*, Recorder of Lincolne.

THe Lilly ſhall remaine in a merry world, and he ſhall be moved againſt t ſeed of the Lyon, and he ſhall ſtand on one ſide amongſt thornes of kingdome and countrey: and there ſhall come the Son of man bearing three wi beaſts in his Arms, which Kingdome is the Land of the Moone, which is bee dread throughout all the world, with a company of people he ſhall paſſe m ny waters, and hee ſhall come to the Land of the Lyon, looking for helpe, w the beaſts of his owne Countrey: And in that yeare there ſhall come an Eagle of the Eaſt, and his wings ſpread with the beames of the ſon of man: a that yeare ſhall bee deſtroyed Caſtles upon Thames, and there ſh ll be great ſl over the whole world; and in a part of the Land there ſhall be great battels mongſt many kingdomes: That day ſhall be the bloody field and the Lilly ſh loſe his Crowne, and therewith ſhall be crowned the Son of man. And in fourth yeare, many battels ſhall bee for the faith, and moſt of the world ſ be ſtoopen, but the Son of man with the Eagle ſhall be preferred and there be univerſall peace over the whole world: then ſh ll the Son of man recei marvellous token, and there ſhall be great plenty of all manner of fruits, then ſhall he goe to the land of the Croſſe.

The Propheſie of old *Sybilla.*

WHen Scotlands hundred & ninth unconquered King,
The ſixteen hundred thirty and ninth yeare,
Into his age of thirty nine ſhall reigne,
Then ſhall the Papall overthrow appeare,
Which all the Arts of Europe ſhall admire:
For Scotland ſhall that bleſſed worke begin,
Then ſhall the whore of Balell we had here,
Be baniſht quite which Biſhops did bring in.
Then thou brave England which waſt led ſo blinde
By their perverſe Epiſcopall pride,
And Irelands ſhameleſſe ſuperſtitious ſin
Shall be ſuppreſt, who cruelly have cried;
So that, that Sacted Propheteſſe Sybilla,
Shall ſhortly come to paſſe, ſhe tells Tom. Milla.
And I am tell'd me, and I muſt tell't againe,
Through Scotland, England, Ireland, France & S

Ignatius Propheſie.

IF eighty eight be paſt, then thrive
Thou mateſt, till thirty foure or five.
After the *E.* is dead, a Scot
Shall governe there: and if a plot
Prevent him not, then ſure his ſway
Continue ſhall till many a day.
The ninth ſhall die young, and the firſt
Perhaps ſhall reigne: but (oh) accurſt
Shall be the time when thou ſhalt ſee
To ſixteen joyned twenty three;
For then the Eagle ſh ll have helpe,
By craft to catch the Lions whelpe,
And hurt him ſore, except the ſame

ered by the Maidens name.
ly month of the ſame yeare,
ne conjoynes with Jupiter.
ps falſe Prophets ſhall ariſe,
Mahomet ſhall ſhew his priſe.
ſare much alteration
happen in Religion;
ve this truly, if then you ſee
Spaniard a Proteſtant to be.

Merlins Propheſies.

IN Boreas wings then hither ſhall be born,
Through Weekore Tweed, a Princely unicorn
o brought into the world his own fair Creſt,
rumpant Lion figured on his breaſt,
d to his arms ſix Lions more ſhall quarter
th ſix French flowers inviron'd with the garter
ming by fates unchangeable diſpoſe
Northern Thiſtle to the Southerne Roſe:
ſhall the true Apoſtolick Faith maintain,
th pious zeale during his bleſſed reigne. be;
at Lincolne was, that London is, that York ſhal
ve London prayes thoſe dayes ſhe ne're may ſee.

The Propheſies of old Otwel Bins, kept by Mr. Smith Vicar of Hudderfield 40. years.

THen James ſhall ſeeke a ſecond Crowne,
In pulling Pope and Papiſts downe;
at James ſhall vaniſh from their face,
A halfe Elizabeths Royall race.
hen uſing forraine policies,
rudgings and diſcontents ariſe;
a ſhall they aſſemble at the ſeat
f Parliament for a worke moſt great;
at ſtrange opinions there ſhall ſow
Diſſentions that too high ſhall grow:
nd Laodicea's, Englands Church,
f grace and beauty ſome ſhall lurch;
nd Smiths of policie ſhall invent
To caſt new molds of government.
hile vulgar birds of weakeſt wing
row ſtout againſt their Eagle King.
hoſe juſt integrous heart ſhall prove
The Adamant of Subjects love:
Then pride ſhall ſome in priſon locke,
And lop a head off on a block:
By honeſt power they ſhall bring downe
An aſpirer that aſſum'd a Crowne;
That be whoſe power did laws contemn
Might finde a grave no Diadem.
Some Comicke Scenes ſhall then be acted
By vulgar players much diſtracted;
The Goſpel from a tub or tun,
Shall broached by Mechanicks run.
Petticotes ſhall in Pulpits preach,
And women be allowed to teach;
And in theſe gloomy dogged dayes
They ſhall tear off the Muſes bayes.
Thus ſtrife and jury ſhall encreaſe,
And Round-heads ſhall diſturbe the peace
Of Religion, while they it toſſe
In blankets, and pull downe the Croſſe.
The Browniſts ſhall no old prayers brook,
Sermons ſhall drowne the Service Booke,
Then all men in thoſe times ſhall ſee
Great troubles and calamitie.
Then on the Iriſh bogs and heath,
Many a man ſhall taſte of death.
The ſouldiers wages ſhall encreaſe,
Till wars at laſt in conqueſt ceaſe:
To ſuch as are good Land-lords knowne,
In hoſtile times ſome love is ſhowne:
But for all ſuch as have great ſtore,
Th'are in leſſe ſafety then the poore.
Then twenty pounds of coyne in hand,
Is worth ſo much of yearly land.
From Ireland then there ſhall come one
Muſt loſe his head upon a ſtone:
But when England doth ſwim in flouds
Of plenty and growes proud of goods,
Then from their ſleep they ſhall be waked,
To know themſelves both blinde and naked.
Chriſts Church muſt know ſom miſery,
There ſhall be a doleſull tragedy:
The Lord abroad his ſword will ſend,
Unleſſe they warning take t'amend:
Yet Germany, France and Britany,
This laſt act of my tragedy.
Good dayes will follow, bad ones ceaſe,
There ſhall be plenty and great peace:
The whore of Romes noſe ſhall be ſlit,
And of her rich attire be ſtript:
In the meane time Biſhops ſhall be
Throwne down from all their dignity;
Their Hierarchy and their traine

Shall

Shall ne're recover strength againe:
Nor is Romes City only Rome,
But all the Popes dominion;
So that Rome feels herselfe annoy'd,
While she in Ireland is destroy'd:
In forty one by computation,
The Pope shall fall by reformation:
A Clergy man shall then suffice,
His pride with one poore Benefice;
Then Cambridge and the Oxonian
Shall be scorn'd by the Rotundian,
And some that cannot say nor sing,
Shall drinke much at a troubled spring:
And Coblers then shall leave their last;
In Sermons up their gall to cast:
Magpies and Parrets then shall prate
Both of the Eagle and the State,
Untill they bring things in conclusion,
To much disorder and confusion.
Rebels and men most seditious,
Shall make the time prove pernicious.
Rich men shall doe things unbefitting,
An upright Judge be scarce found sitting:
Upstart honour shall seem dreames;
And Bishops Seas prove little streames:
While many a feather'd fowle shall flie
Beyond the seas for Jeopardy;
Rumours shall be of warres and armes,
And there shall be of Sects great swarmes,
A sort of mad rude common people,
Shall pull the crosse from every steeple.
The King while they doe thus presume,
Unto this Realme that right shall doome,
He shall this Kingdome wisely guide,
And other Kingdomes more beside:
Then Peers and Commons shall elect,
Whose Lawes shall ever take effect.
No man shall Lawyers counsell crave,
For men at home their right shall have;
And officers each towne within,
Shall right their wrongs and punish sin;
Worthies be nine, and reckon we,
And this the tenth and last shall be:
The Moone obscur'd full sixty yeare,
Shall then get light and shine full clear:
While England then for joy shall sing,
And blesse the reigne of their good King.

Mr. *Brightmans* Prophesies.

VVHen Englands Church grows Engla[illegible]
Full of lukewarmnes, glory vain, (sha[illegible]
The worst in works, and outward forme,
And with contrary factions torne.
When Romish rites by Reformation,
Shall be expell'd out of this Nation,
Lord, beggar, Bishops then shall come
To ruine and be overthrowne.
The Priests shall be vile to each wite
Their downfall read with much delight;
For God will not them guiltlesse hold,
That have been neither hot nor cold.
The Scotch Church shall be in condition
A Virgin free from superstition.
They shall be joyn'd in covenant,
'Gainst which the world shall boast and vaunt:
But Englands Church must feel the storme,
Untill she truly her selfe reforme:
Such hurly burly, and such stir,
No form of Church shall remaine in her:
But reformation must take breath
Form the reigne of Queen Elizabeth.

Another Prophesie very ancient in old Meeter.

IN that same yeare that fully shall expire,
The sixth great wonder of the worlds Empire:
Then Tyders * *HEMPE* shall end I dare arread,
Then* E shall fall, and I shall stand in stead: *i.e. Hen.
In the same yeare a great plague shall reign, *Ed. Mat.*
The which a thousand dayes shall remain: *Ph. l. Eliz.*
At *Maries* Masse a Court they hold, *After Q.
The which in bloody inke shall be enrolled: *Eliz. K. l.*
There many a plea shall passe with brawling words,
And short daggers shall be better then long swords:
On Hunsloes heath soon after shall be seen
A fierce battell fought by a King I ween:
Of Knights there shall be three thousand there,
Of which there shall but ten back againe appeare:
There shall many a battell and brawle be,
And then a huge host shall passe over the Sea,
Concluding a peace: but in this wise,
Betwixt two C.C. two L.L. so long shall last two I.I.

FINIS.